

(a) receiving an order for a software system from a user at a server over the network;

(b) transmitting the order for a software system to a development facility;

(c) receiving at least one software application for the software system from the development facility;

(d) installing the software system on a user system over the network;
and

(e) starting up operation of the software system over the network.--

REMARKS

Claims 1-47 have been cancelled and new claims 48-100 have been added due to improper claim numbering. After the initial filing of Applicants' patent application, it was discovered that two (2) sets of claims 32-37 were inadvertently filed.

Specifically, the first presentation of dependent claims 32-36 (on page 25 of the instant application) are directed to "a **method** of integrating a software system over a network" as recited in independent claim 31. Independent claim 37 is directed to a system for integrating a software system over a network. The second presentation of dependent claims 32-36 are directed to "the **system**

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of claim 31..." and should have been dependent upon independent claim 37 (first occurrence).

In order to avoid any confusion, Applicants have corrected this deficiency by canceling original claims 1-47 and adding (renumbered) claims 48-100. It is respectfully submitted that no new matter has been added.

If the Examiner believes that a telephone conference or interview would advance prosecution of this application in any manner, the undersigned stands ready to conduct such a conference at the convenience of the Examiner.

Attached hereto is a check in the amount of \$188.00 (representing both the excess claim fee and excess independent claim fee) due in connection with the additional claims. In the event it is determined that a further fee is necessary to maintain the pendency of this application, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge or credit the undersigned's deposit account number 50-0206.

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